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## Russia Bans Meat Imports from Korea

Two outbreaks of foot and mouth disease (FMD) in pigs were detected in South Korea on May 2, 2002. Korea slaughtered about 10,000 pigs and restricted movements of livestock nationwide.

On May 7 Russia's veterinary service banned the import of meat and poultry from South Korea. Last year Russia banned imports of meat, poultry, fish and dairy products from Europe and Asia due to mad cow disease and/or FMD in those areas.

Two years ago FMD was introduced into South Korea for the first time in 66 years. South Korea chose to vaccinate rather than destroy all the animals. South Korea had been officially free of FMD since September 2001.

Sources: OIE (World Organization for Animal Health) and others

## Malaysia

Malaysia lifted its ban on chicken imports from China following confirmation from veterinary authorities that chicken meat from China was free from avian influenza. Malaysia mostly imports chicken meat for processing.

Malaysia is self sufficient in meeting the country's demand for chicken and eggs, and a net exporter of both. Current demand for chicken averages 6.3 to 6.5 million per week, however, overproduction is driving prices lower. Production of 8.3 million birds during a recent week equated to an excess supply of chicken, driving retail prices as low as RM2.20 and RM2.40 per kilo. Normal prices range RM2.80 and RM3 per kilo.

## Indonesia

Indonesia, the world's largest Muslim nation, has banned imports of U.S. chicken parts since 2000, citing concerns that the product was not halal. The Agriculture Ministry issued the ban because chickens were not slaughtered in accordance with Islamic teachings. The Trade and Industry Ministry has been trying to lift the ruling ever since.

The Central Bureau of Statistics show chicken imports grew from 347 tons in 1998 to 14,017 tons in 2000 before the ban on U.S. products was put in place. The Agriculture Ministry has proposed import duties of up to 270 percent to replace the ban, much higher than the 40 percent allowed by the WTO.

Compiled from various sources

## Mexico Passes Bill on Animal Health

On May 2, 2002, the Animal Health Law bill passed in the Senate. The bill had already passed in the Lower Chamber. Therefore, the bill will become a law the next day it is published in the Diario Oficial (Federal Register), which could take as long as two or three weeks. This means, for example, that meat import certificates will be required to comply with requirements listed, such as expiration dates and lot numbers, and information that identifies the imported products. All import verification points in the United States will no longer be authorized to operate 120 days after publication of the new law. At that time, all import inspections of meat and animal byproducts will be conducted in Mexico. For further information go to <http://www.senado.gob.mx/>.

Source USDA/FAS

## Thailand

Commerce Ministry inspector-general Rachane Potjanasunthorn has urged Thailand's chicken exporters to take advantage of international disputes that have left Russia and Japan short of some products. This year normal poultry trade has been interrupted to Russia and Japan. The ban on U.S. chicken exports to Russia was lifted in April, however resumption of trade continued to be hindered by Russia. Japan has banned chicken from China. If Thailand doesn't move quickly, Brazil may fill the void. Brazil is a major competitor due to higher quality and lower prices.

## Thailand: Chicken Meat Exports

	Raw	%	Further Processed	%	Total
January	29,632	34	10,063	35	39,695
February	27,020	31	9,704	34	36,724
March	30,278	35	9,189	32	39,467

## Market Destination

	Jan-Mar 01	Jan-Mar 02	2001 Actual	2002 Estimate
Japan	41,259	71,388	214,620	239,300
Europe	37,848	27,633	148,973	165,600
Others	21,314	16,865	74,204	55,200
Total	100,421	115,886	437,797	460,000

Thai Broiler Processing Exporters Association

Compiled from various sources

## Cuba's Broiler Situation (thousand tons)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001(p)
Production	62	63	60	60	59	60
Imports	16	19	33	38	38	53

## Major Chicken Exporters to Cuba (thousand tons)

Brazil	1,877	167	1,156	5,999	5,915
Canada	12,163	14,733	26,365	16,914	17,136
Chile		1,438	237	91	
EU	1,898	3,158	4,696	15,453	13,417

Source: UN Trade Statistics and "Export-to" data

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 04, 2002	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Liquid	369	548	6,383	4,124
Frozen	0	40	0	40
Dried	0	0	8	22
Total	369	588	6,391	4,186

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 04, 2002	2002	2001/1	2002	2001
Liquid	71	55	1,770	1,627
Frozen	47	4	1,283	567
Dried	142	0	1,385	226
Total	260	59	4,438	2,420

**Inspected Shell Eggs****U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 04, 2002	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Jumbo	0	0	1,028	87
Extra Large	210	1,425	3,468	11,541
Large	3,066	2,686	26,713	34,861
Medium	1,368	660	17,493	14,008
Ungraded	15,210	9,960	76,710	82,544
Misc	780	3,800	10,984	19,128
Total	20,634	18,531	136,396	162,169

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 04-May-02  
(PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,946	1,543	3,489
LAST WEEK	1,948	1,368	3,316
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,754	1,400	3,154
TO-DATE/2002	33,033	23,676	56,709
TO-DATE/2001	33,259	23,811	57,070

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	362	0	362
LAST WEEK	378	0	378
SAME WEEK YR AGO	505	0	505
TO-DATE/2002	5,816	20	5,836
TO-DATE/2001	9,069	148	9,217

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

**TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	2,308	1,543	3,851
LAST WEEK	2,326	1,368	3,694
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,259	1,400	3,659
TO-DATE/2002	38,849	23,696	62,545
TO-DATE/2001	42,328	23,959	66,287

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

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**CHICKEN** 10-MAY-2002  
—— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

—— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.50	12.00	163,200	-
WTD AVERAGE	15.50	12.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	- 10.00-12.00	1,774,800	81,600	
WTD AVERAGE	10.43			
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

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(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.50	-	40,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	15.50			

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

—— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	11.50-15.00	13.00-15.00	1,086,000	318,000
WTD AVERAGE	14.08	13.60		
15-20%				
RANGE	9.00-13.00	9.00-13.50	1,359,372	104,000
WTD AVERAGE	11.54	11.36		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	14.50	-	8,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	14.50			

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 10 MAY 2002.**

Trade sentiment on fresh tom breast meat was steady to instances firm. Demand fair, best on close trimmed product. Offerings ranged from tight for prompt shipments to adequate for deferred. The undertone on wing meat continued steady to weak, however, improved interest was noted at the lower trending price levels. Offerings ample. The scapula undertone was barely steady with trading noted on product that was mostly -6 months age. Frozen thigh meat trade sentiment unsettled with some expressing confidence in the market while others note trading at lower trending prices. Mechanically separated turkey (MST) trade sentiment was mostly steady to fully steady. Demand on frozen MST was light to fair, fresh fair to good with some processors noting seasonal market improvements on fresh. Offerings of fresh MST were light at best, frozen light to instances adequate with some spot availability noted on product with over 60 days age.

**FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	25.50	160	25.25	320
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	22.00	104	22.67	156
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	29.75	54	29.75	54
TAILS		F	23.58	96		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	12.00-13.00		12.89	180	12.62	260
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	54.50-57.00		55.00	100	54.87	444

**THURSDAY, MAY 09, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	25.50		25.50	160
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	22.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.75		29.75	54
TAILS		F	23.58	96
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		W	12.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	53.00		53.00	80

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 08, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	25.00		25.00	160
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	22.00		22.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	28.50	208
TAILS		F	23.58	96
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	12.00		12.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	55.00		55.00	160

**TUESDAY, MAY 07, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	23.97	464
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	24.00		24.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	28.50	208
TAILS		F	23.58	96
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	12.00		12.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	56.00		56.00	104

**MONDAY, MAY 06, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	23.97	464
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	22.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	28.50	208
TAILS		F	23.58	96
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	12.83	480
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	57.25	160

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.

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